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MISS FRANCES HUGHES,
Pres. of Student Government Association.

The First Year of Student Government.

The success of our first year of Student Government certainly gives just cause for rejoicing. Last June even those who had been most eager for self-government could not but give way to some pessimistic fears, in thinking of the complete change to be effected and the great responsibilities to be laid on the student body. But the loyalty of the Association and the devotion of its president have carried the movement through in a way to make us prouder than ever of the Wellesley spirit.

The advantages of self-government have been many, not only on the surface in the general routine of college life, but in deeper things as well. In matters of discipline—quiet hours, registration, chaperonage and the like, there has been great gain through unification of authority. Previously, when each faculty head of a house had power to rule her own house at her own discretion, there were countless distinctions and variations in applying the general, and on some points, vague college rules. The dissatisfaction due to such a method has disappeared under the new system. Now all decisions and permissions take their authority from the same source of law, and this law is made and administered by those whom it governs.

The great number of officers necessary for carrying out the law brings into positions of more or less power a great many girls. It has been not the least pleasing feature of Student Government this year to see how, almost without exception, these officers have risen to the occasion. The training in right use of power, in tactful yet firm enforcement of laws, which these girls have received, will mean much to them outside of, as well as within, the college gates.

In the main body of the Association the gain from self-government has been seen in a keener feeling of honor and an ever growing sense of community responsibilities. Cheating in registration, petty and gross evasions of the law, such as were practiced to grevious extent before, have been comparatively rare. "I would have done it last year, but now I can't," is a speech we must all have heard over and over in regard to some questionable practice or other.

The main fault which the Association needs to guard against is that careless frame of mind which causes members to slight or forget the rules, to neglect the calls for meetings, to look on ideals as a kind of discomfort which one may slip off now and then without harm. This mental state—hardly so much a positive sin as a negative, a lack of thought, is the sign of exactly that immaturity and dependence of which self-government should be the cure. It is to be thoughtfully guarded against in future if the work of the Association is to be thoroughly successful.

As this year has been so full of promise, next year is bound to have satisfactory results. The offices are excellently filled, and the new officers have, in many cases, the advantage of having watched the cautious feeling the way of this first year, which has been necessary in so many doubtful cases. Best of all, officers and Association in general may carry into their work the inspiration of an ideal—the earnest, broad, self-satisfying spirit which has characterized the whole work of Frances Hughes, the first president.

CONCERNING ATHLETICS.

The reorganization of the Athletic Association this spring seems to have brought about very satisfactory results. Not only have we at last succeeded in having a Field Day worthy of the name, but there is every promise for a brighter, more energetic fall season this year than ever before. The Rowing Club is stronger than ever before, the competition on Field Day having lent just the needed touch to

MISS MAY LANDIS,
President of the Athletic Association.

arouse the crews to their best efforts. The basket ball players, under Miss Frances Field, are as enthusiastic as ever. Practice will start in immediately on the opening of college in the fall, in the hope of developing a star college team. Tennis under Miss Kitchen cannot but flourish, and Miss Hard-

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man will do her best that Hockey, the new field sport, may have a successful season. The Hockey Club has now chosen a constitution and is organized under the Athletic Association on the same basis with the other sports. The leaders of the sport in each class are: Senior, Miss Terry; Juniors, Miss Hardman; and Sophomore, Miss Bement.

In connection with athletic events, a retrospect in regard to the establishment of the new Athletic Association may be of interest. The original Association, with its regular fee of twenty-five cents and its executive committee, consisting of the heads of each sport, was not entirely successful in accomplishing its purpose. The fee shut out some members, there was not a strong sense of union, each girl caring only for her own sport, and the responsibility for playground, tennis courts, etc., fell, not upon the trustees but upon the college girls.

Under the new constitution the executive committee is chosen from the college at large, there is no regular fee for membership, though a voluntary contribution is solicited and the general charge of accessories furnished by the college falls upon the trustees. Under this new management we have already four new tennis courts, the bath house, a hockey field for fall practice.

The officers of the Association are as follows: President, May Landis; Vice-president, Elizabeth Bass; Treasurer, Mary McKinney; Secretary, Elizabeth Coleman; Executive Committee, Mary Follett, Grace Dean, Olive Nevin, Miss Hill, Dr. Roberts, Miss Landis, ex officio.

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Wednesday, June 25. College houses closed to all but Seniors.

Friday, June 27. College houses closed to Seniors.

Monday, Sept. 15. Houses open to students.

Tuesday, Sept. 16. Examinations begin.

Saturday, Sept. 20. Christian Association reception.

Monday, Sept. 22. Registration closes.

Tuesday, September twenty-third, college work begins.

NOTES.

The June *Atlantic* publishes the second of Miss Vida Dutton Scudder's valuable series on Democracy, entitled "Democracy and Education."

Miss Mary Rockwell, 1900, has been spending the last few weeks in Santa Rosa, California. Miss Rockwell sails for Manila, P. I., about July 1, on the transport Kilpatrick, when she will be the guest of her uncle, Gen. A. R. Chaffee.

Among the Faculty who have gone or will go abroad this summer are Miss Katherine Lee Bates, Miss Orvis, Fraulein Wenckeback, Fraulein Müller, Fraulein Reuther, Miss Peabody, Mlle Schæys.

Miss Gertrude Schöpperle will accompany Fraulein Müller. Miss Maud Thompson will sail for Scotland after commencement.

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COMMENCEMENT.

SHAKESPEARE PLAY.

Friday was a perfect night for the second presentation of the Shakespeare Play. The white moonlight shining down through the oak trees and the wavering, uncertain shadows in the distance, made the little hollow near Longfellow an ideal setting for the fairy scenes. The former performance had given the seniors proof of the shimmering beauty of the whole performance, and long before the appointed hour, the generous square of sloping green set off for the audience, was filled to overflowing with fathers, mothers, sisters, brothers, cousins, aunts and friends. As before, the chief feature of the play was the fairy dancing among the trees.

"Every elf and fairy sprite,
Hopped as light as bird from briar."

With the fairy scene before one, it was hard, indeed, to realize that the tripping, sprightly band were but "human mortals" after all.

CLASS SUPPER.

The Class Supper was held at the Newton Club House, on Thursday evening, June 19. Special electric cars were chartered to carry members of the class to Newtonville, and at about 5.45, the one hundred and fifty seniors gathered at the college gate. Shortly after their arrival at the club house, dinner was announced. The toasts were given between courses, and were as follows:

Toast Mistress.....Hetty S. Wheeler
The Class.....May Matthews
"L'etat c'est moi."
Our Honorary Member.....Constance B. Draper
"Of all sad words of tongue or pen
The saddest are these, 'it might have been.'"
The Faculty.....Bessie W. Manwaring
"The noble army of martyrs."
Our Expectations.....Elizabeth MacCrellish
"So many worlds, so much to do
So little done, such things to be."
Alma Mater.....Jessie F. Hutsinpillar
"We'll give our lives and hopes to serve her."

Just before the toast on the "Faculty," Miss Matthews announced to the class that every one of the one hundred and fifty members of 1902 was to receive her B. A. degree, making the class the largest by four members which had ever been graduated from Wellesley College. Applause and self-congratulation was in order, and it was many minutes before Miss Manwaring could take the floor. As she herself neatly put it, "It is now more in order to toast than to roast the faculty which gives us all amusement, topics of conversation, and degrees." The toasts were all clever and full of feeling. After the last one, "Alma Mater," the class arose, sang "Alma Mater" and gave the Wellesley cheer.

Candidates for class bride were then in order, and a most amusing discussion of the candidates chosen followed. In the course of the election, the following members acknowledged their engagements: Miss Rosalind Lee, Miss Ethel Sanborn, Miss Clara Taft, Miss Thomas, Miss Wallower and Miss Woods. In the end, Miss Wallower was chosen class bride, and was presented with two silver spoons by the class.

The evening closed with a general handshake, all members of the class forming in single file about the room. The trip home was enlivened with songs and cheers. It was quarter of twelve when the three loaded cars finally reached the college gate.

THE GARDEN PARTY.

The Garden Party was held on Friday afternoon and was really the dress occasion of commencement week. The gowns were, on the whole, simple, though very light and dainty, and for once during the college course hats were decidedly in order on the campus. Miss Hazard stood with the reception committee, with Miss Wooley as guest of honor. The "Hill" was in perfect trim, and dainty tables, pretty gowns and perfect weather, each had a part in making the occasion one of the prettiest of the commencement festivities.

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SENIOR DRAMATICS.

Senior Dramatics, consisting of a second presentation of Oliver Goldsmith's "She Stoops to Conquer," by members of the senior class, was one of the most popular numbers on the commencement week programme. And deservedly so; if possible, the performance was more satisfactory than when, a week or more ago, the play was given for the college at large. There were few changes in the presentation of individual parts. Indeed it would be hard to convince a former spectator that changes would be improvements. The greatest gain was in a certain smoothness and finish, which is almost impossible at a first performance.

SATURDAY'S EXERCISES.

Saturday morning was spent in class reunions among the alumnæ, who arrived in large numbers. The class of '82, was especially prominent this year of its twentieth anniversary.

Owing to the rain the Glee Club concert took place indoors and it was necessary to postpone the Tree Day dances.

The Glee Club concert commenced at 3.30, P.M., and the programme, opening with a medley of college songs by the Glee Club, consisted of alternate Glee and Mandolin Club selections. In detail it was:

1. MEDLEY.. ..... Glee Club
2. OVERTURE, The Merry Musician.....Mandolin Club
   E. C. Ramsdell.....Arr. by G. L. Lansing
3. a COME, KISS YO MAMMY GOODNIGHT, } .....Glee Club.
   b. I'VE BEEN WORKIN' ON THE GLEE CLUB }
4. a. SERENADE BARCAROLLE ... .Monti, } Mandolin Club
   b. DIANA ..... Barre, }
5. THE BLUE BELLS OF SCOTLAND, F. Schilling.....Glee Clnb
6. CREOLE BELLES, J. B. Lampe.....Mandolin Club
7. a. BEFORE AND AFTER, F. F. Bullard } Glee and Mandolin Clubs
   b. ALMA MATER, Flora S. Ward..... }

The programme as a whole was well chosen and well received. The "Merrie Musician," "Creole Belles" and "The Blue Bells of Scotland" were especially pleasing. "I've been workin' on the Glee Club" and "Before and After," were in lighter strain, and lent the necessary touch of humor to the performance.

SINGING ON THE CHAPEL STEPS, AND THE PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION.

The gathering for the final "sing" on the chapel steps was unusually large, considering the weather. By 7.15 almost every Senior was in her accustomed place, clad in cap and gown, and feeling, it must be confessed, that such occasions are, after all, a little the sober side of commencement. "Neath the Oak." "Alma Mater." all the old favorites were sung in sober strain, and the air was full of an indescribable something which told each Senior that this was the last time that the class, as an undergraduate body, would hold its place on the chapel steps.

After the Wellesley cheer, which was given in rather faltering tones, the class adjourned until, shortly after eight, its members met again at President Hazard's reception. The reception was held at Miss Hazard's new house. Refreshments were served and the Seniors were given an opportunity Baccalaureate Sunday, to meet the President and her guests. On the same evening the various societies held receptions for the Seniors.

Bishop Lawrence delivered the baccalaureate sermon at eleven o'clock, in Memorial Chapel.

MUSICAL VESPERS.

Vesper service with music made a beautiful closing to the Sunday of the Baccalaureate Sermon. The choir, which has given much time to practicing the commencement music, was assisted by eight men from the Apollo Club, Mr. Bruce, W. Hobbs, tenor, and Miss Edith E. Torry, soprano. Miss Torry, it will be rsmembered, is to be vocal teacher at Wellesley next year. As is usual at musical vespers, during the music the chapel was lighted only by a few dim lights. The music chosen was Barnby's short oratorio "Rebecca," and the effect of the wonderful notes heard in the stillness and semi-darkness of the chapel, was something for the seniors to remember always.

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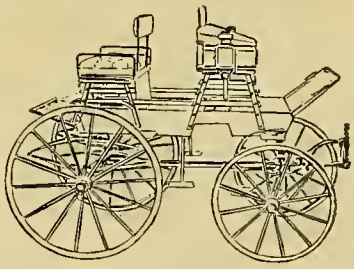

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2.45, P. M., of Commencement Day found Trustees, Faculty, Alumnæ and students formed in procession at the front entrance of College Hall, in the following order:

1. Graduate students. 2. Class of 1901. 3. Other classes from 1900 to 1879. 4. Trustees. 5. Faculty. 6. Candidates for B. A. degree. 7. Candidates for M. A. degree. Everyone was in full academic dress.

As the classes passed toward the chapel, they divided and formed in two rows, one on each side of the path. Between these rows the Trustees, Faculty, and candidates for degrees marched, entering the chapel by the north entrance. The Trustees and Faculty took seats on the platform.

After the Organ Prelude, "Allegro Pomposo," from an organ concerto by Handel, the service opened with the Processional, "Angels, Holy, High and Lowly," Invocation, Response, and Psalm followed in order, after which the commencement address was given by Dean Briggs and the degrees were conferred. The services closed with Hymn, Benediction and Postlude.

THE ORDER OF EXERCISES.

Organ Prelude, "Allegro Pomposo" (from an organ concerto) G. F. Handel
Processional, "Angels, Holy, High and Lowly."
Invocation.
Response, "Let the Words of my Mouth."
Psalm.
Gloria Patri, (Gregorian.)
Address, Se Baron Russell Briggs, Dean of Harvard College.
Conferring of Degrees.
Hymn, "Ein Feste Burg."
Benediction.
Postlude, Finale from the American Symphony.

COLLEGE CONCERT.

The college concert given by the college to members of the senior class and their friends took place Monday evening, June 23rd, on the lawn directly in front of College Hall. Music was furnished by the Boston Cadet Band, as it has been found that an orchestra has not sufficient volume for the out of doors music. Popular airs were rendered. Between the numbers promenading and an informal reception were in order.

ALUMNÆ DAY.

Alumnæ Day, Tuesday, the 24th, opened at 10. A. M., with a business meeting of the Alumnæ Association, officers for next year were elected, and the name of the newly-elected Trustee of the College was announced.

The Alumnæ Luncheon took place at 1. P. M. The menus were neat little booklets, printed in blue on white paper, with "Welles'ey College, Alumnæ Lunch, June 24, 1902," and a blue print of the lake on the cover. The toasts and responses were as follows:

TOASTS.

Wellesley Blue . . . . . Mrs. Durant
"All hail to the college beautiful!
All hail to the Wellesley blue!"

The Income Fund . . . . . Alice W. Pearmain, '83
"You take a few pieces of zinc
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FLOAT.

Beautiful as always, Float Night came to us again last Tuesday, in a blaze of light and color. All about the grounds were gleaming strings of Chinese lanterns. Search lights threw their broad beams far out over the lake, and down by Tupelo the broad expanse of water was white and sparkling in the moonlight. A very effective touch was the misty spray which rose from the center of Longfellow, all a mass of color, now green, now blue, as the different lights were thrown on it from the shore.

Shortly after seven the exercises commenced, as usual, the first boat to appear was the College Eight. With even motion of the oars it swept into view from behind the point. The crew was on exhibition and Miss Osborne's smooth, rather leisurely stroke was followed with careful precision. The college eight was the last crew chosen, but lack of practice was more than compensated for by individual excellence. The make-up was as follows:

COLLEGE EIGHT.
Coxswain—Elizabeth Kittredge, '02
Stroke—Florence M. Osborne, 02
7. Jane Button, '02
6. Mary Follett, '04
5. Elizabeth Bass, '03
4. May Landis, '03
3. Amy Adams, '02
2. Mae McE. Rice, '02
Bow—Katharine Hotz, '02
SUBSTITUTES.
Starboard—1. Faith Talcott, '04
2. Lillian Bruce, '03
Port—1. Frances Terry, '03
2. Theodora McCutcheon, '03

The next feature was a parade of class crews which ended in the formation of the Wellesley Star, and singing by the crews assisted by members of the Glee Club. Competition would have lent excitement to the parade, but, as usual, the different crews, each with class flag and numerals were watched with keen interest. 1902 showed perhaps best form, rowing as they did with snap and vigour and yet with perfect smoothness, but the work of every crew proclaimed long, hard practice. 1905 was particularly fine. The year's training in the gymnasium, standing them in good stead. On account of the shorter time allowed them for practice, neither the first nor second Freshman crews attempted to use slides.

After the singing of "Lake Waban," class and crew songs, "'Neath the Oaks" and "Alma Mater," there followed what is always one of the prettiest features of Float, the parade of crews in colored lights. The background of glowing red, the white search lights from the shore, the white jerseys, the rhythmic motion of oars and rowers, all combined to make a picture not soon to be forgotten.

The evening closed with a band concert and fireworks, and shortly after nine the thousands of visitors began making their way homeward, and one more Wellesley Float was over.

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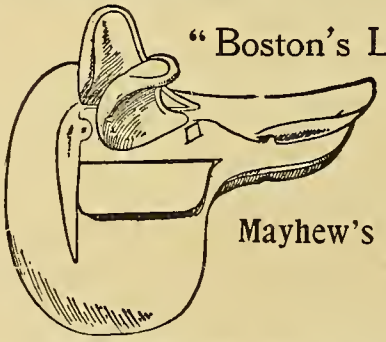
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